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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is disclosed and/or claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLING FLUID LEAKS IN A PIPE CONNECTION the specification of which

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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

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